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Today's Topics:

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newstf01.cr1.aol.com!newsbf01.news.aol.com!not-for-mail@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: DOES ANYONE USE 2M AM?
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

What is the most popular 2 M AM freq? All I have xtals for is 145.380 but
I doubt anyone still uses it.

Does anyone have a schematic for a xtal oscillator to lock a Gonset 2/6 M
AM rig's receiver?

- Rob, N1NTE

Date: Fri, 30 Sep 1994 13:42:04 GMT
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Subject: Expose - Wouff-Hong
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

ip@g8sjp.demon.co.uk (Iain Philipps) writes:

>With all the talk of Wouff Hong (sic) I decided to search my magazine
>archives as a research project. Not surprisingly, I turned up a singular
>reference, which I quote below verbatim:-

>"Wouff-Hong: the ultimate amateur radio torture instrument for those
> causing unnecessary interference. It was originally
> mentioned by The Old Man (Hiram Percy Maxim) in a facetious
> QST magazine editorial decrying rotten QRM (interference).
> Other fearsome amateur radio torture instruments are the
> Rettysnitch and the Uggerumph."
> - Ham Radio Horizons, July 1978, page 52

>SO ... it would seem that those newsgroup participants who claim membership
>maybe ought to settle down :-)

Visit an ARRL-sponsored convention, and you will probably find that there is on the agenda a "Wouff-Hong" initiation scheduled for Midnight on one of the days the convention is in progress. Attend the initiation and learn the secret of why the Wouff-Hong exists and its purpose. At the conclusion of the ceremony, you will be given a nice certificate, suitable for framing, which designates you as a member in the Royal Order of the Wouff-Hong (R.O.W.H.)

More than that, I cannot say.....

73,

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"You can have my bug when you can pry my cold, dead fingers from around it....." - anonymous radiotelegraph operator

Date: 30 Sep 1994 22:08:07 GMT
From: ihnp4.ucsd.edu!swrinde!howland.reston.ans.net!news.sprintlink.net!
indirect.com!usenet@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: Ham Radio & More Stations
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Ham Radio & More Station List:

The following list can change often....

Alabama: WHRT, 860am, Hartselle
WAJF, 1490am, Decatur
Arizona: KFNN, 1510am, Phoenix
Colorado: KBCO, 1190am, Denver/Boulder
Connecticut: WATR, 1320am, Hartford
Illinois: WKTA, 1330am, Chicago
WBGZ, 1570am, Alton
Indiana: WPDJ, 1300am, Huntington/Ft. Wayne
Kentucky: WMTA, 1380am, Central City
Massachusetts: WSSH, 1510am, Boston (50,000 watts)
WKPE, 1170am, Orleans
Missouri: WBGZ, 1570am, St. Louis
N. Carolina: WEEB, 990am, Fayetteville
WCRY, 1460am, Raleigh/Durham
WNCT, 1070am, Greenville
Nebraska: KICS, 1550am, Lincoln
Oklahoma: KTMC, 1400am, McAlester
Utah: K26DI, channel 26 tv, Castledale

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73, Len, KB7LPW

Date: 30 Sep 1994 15:57:05 -0500
From: ihnp4.ucsd.edu!usc!howland.reston.ans.net!gatech!nntp.msstate.edu!
nntp.msstate.edu!not-for-mail@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: Radio Shack Violation
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Is it any more of a 'violation' for someone to pick up an ht on the rs counter and 'kerchunk' a repeater as it is for someone who does NOT have a driver's license to start the engine of a car in a showroom?

If a tree falls in the forest...:-)

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Subject: Radio Shack Violation
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

In <9409300400112135@pcapbbbs.com> brian.parker@pcapbbbs.com (Brian Parker) writes:

>Just to be curious I went back to the same store. There
>was a different salesman and I was still able to key the unit.
>I don't know if this is a wide spread problem or only in this
>store but if I was the repeater owner I wouldn't want some
>puttz like me kerr-chunking my repeater.

Does the HTX-202 have a keylock or a PTT lock? Or is that asking a bit much for the salesman to invoke :-)

David

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Subject: TJ1JR ACTIVE
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

TJ1JR Randy Jones arrived in Cameroon in July and will be active for the next four years. I am his QSL manager. We meet weekly on the air to exchange log info, and after we are done, he has indicated that he is willing to stay on freq for 15-30 mins and work a few stations to give them a new one. If you are interested in receiving updates via Internet as to when and what freq he will be on, send me your Internet address and ask that you be added to my update mailing list for TJ1JR. Last week we were able to put through about 35 stations, so if you don't get through at first, don't worry. He will be on weekly.

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Subject : Re: Restrictive Covenants: I can't have *any* antenna?

In <Cwy4C6.LJ@cscsun.rmc.edu> dtiller@cscsun.rmc.edu (David Tiller) writes:

>So there's no room for a poorly written rule to be challenged where the intent
>is _not_ so clear? My reading of that rule's intent is to preclude antennas
>that challenge cable's monopoly, _not_ limit other radio services (such as
>cellular phones, ham radio, etc.) I think a well reasoned challenge to this
>rule would be a boost to hams and possibly the community by showing how hams
>can help out in times of emergency. My neighbors know who to come to when
>they've got loved ones they want to contact in a disaster area!!!

Just a quick note of response. Of course there is room to challenge a
POORLY written rule. This one is not poorly written in my humble legal
opinion. If you hired me to look at it, I would tell you not to waste
your \$10,000 in legal fees because your chances of beating it are
slim to none. I would challenge you that you need to read your own
contracts before signing, and that reading this rule clearly bans
outside antennas, regardless of your personal definition of the words
in the rule. The point is that the "legal" definition of what is
said there is important, not the ham radio "technical" one. This just
doesn't fly in the Courts I visit.

Your point about hams helping in an emergency is near and dear to a lot
of ham's hearts. Realistically though, it is NOT important to a majority
of non hams I run into. I make presentations to townspeople for
antenna permits, and when I mention the hams helping in an emergency,
most of them laugh. It is embarrassing. The non ham often thinks that
cell phones and the local town have it all together just fine, and there
is no need for these hams to help out. There is no arguing with a lot
of these folks, they just won't listen. This sort of attitude is
changeable, possibly, by ALL of us working a little at a time to show
the non hams that ham radio is of great use in an emergency and that
hams are generally very good neighbors.

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Subject : Re: Radio Shack Violation

My radio shack keeps the ham HT's behind the counter. On one occasion I asked the manager (well, rather quized him) about their policies on the ham radio equipment. These were basically the questions I asked, and the answers he gave:

Brad: Do you know what ham radio is?
Manager: Yes.

Brad: If someone wanted to transmit with the ham equipment, would you ask to see their license?
Manager: Yes.

Brad: Would you recognize a ham license if you requested to see it?
Manager: No. I've never seen one.

Brad: Are you aware that their is one class of license that is not authorized to transmit with your HT radios?
Manager: No.

Brad: Have you been briefed by your superior(s) on policies concerning ham radio equipment that you sell?
Manager: Yes.

Brad: What did they tell you?
Manager: It's ok to sell it to anyone, but remind them to read the advisory that comes with the radio.

Brad: What does the advisory say? Have you ever read it?
Manager: No, I have not read it. But I think it tells the customer not to transmit on this radio without a proper license.

Brad: How many radios have you sold?
Manager: I'v personally sold 4, the store has sold about 15, I think.

Well, what do you conclude about our conversation? I think that upper and middle Radio Shack management are aware of policies and are instructed to make sure that Store Managers know the policies, but most store managers are probably in the dark about what they are actually selling.

I think it might be a good idea that the TX STOP function come ENABLED from the factory. Then, the customer should learn how to DISABLE it before they can talk on the radio. What do you think?

We also have to keep in mind that Radio Shack, in a nut shell, is not too much different than other ham stores. I've walked into ham stores before and have keyed microphones without the sales person asking to see a license ... go figure.

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